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Sir:

This is in response to the Requirement for Election of Species (mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 9, 2002) that is due on March 9, 2003.

REMARKS


As required by the Election/Restriction requirement, Applicant elects, without traverse, Species C which the Office identified as including Figures 7-9. Applicant further identifies the following claims are readable on elected Species C: Claims 25, 26, 27, 29, 30, 32, 35, 36, 39.

CONCLUSION

If the Examiner has any questions, or wishes to discuss this matter, please call the undersigned at 952-896-3397.

Respectfully submitted,

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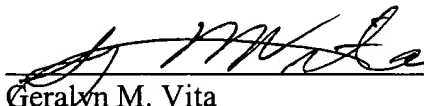
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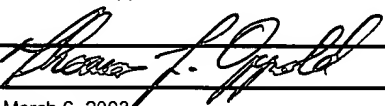
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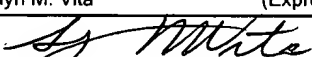
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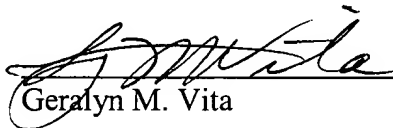
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